

Displays and Demonstrations

What every 4-H'ers should know about
State Fair Guidelines



Why are there guidelines for the State Fair?

- ▶ Space restrictions
- ▶ Safety
- ▶ Differentiation



Educational Displays, Posters and Working Models

What's the difference?



Posters

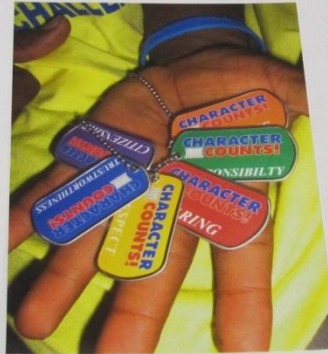
- ▶ Must be no larger than 11" x 22" (half-sheet of poster board) Can be smaller
- ▶ Information on the poster must be flat
- ▶ Should have no three-dimensional items attached



2008 Character Counts!

Your CHARACTER COUNTS! everywhere... all the time

TRUSTWORTHINESS RESPECT RESPONSIBILITY FAIRNESS CARING CITIZENSHIP



THE SIX PILLARS OF CHARACTER

Trustworthiness

- Be reliable; do what you say you'll do.
- Have the courage to do the right thing.
- Be loyal; stand by your friends.
- Be honest.
- Don't deceive, cheat or steal.

Respect

- Follow the Golden Rule.
- Use good manners; not bad language.
- Practice tolerance.
- Be considerate of the feelings of others.
- Don't tease; pick on or bully anyone.
- Deal peacefully with anger, hurts and disagreements.

Responsibility

- Do what you are supposed to do.
- Persevere; keep on trying!
- Always do your best.
- Use self-control.
- Be self-disciplined.
- Think before you act; consider the consequences.

Fairness

- Play by the rules.
- Take turns and share.
- Be open-minded; listen to others.
- Don't take advantage of others.

Caring

- Be kind.
- Be compassionate and show you care.
- Express gratitude.
- Forgive others.
- Help people in need.

Citizenship

- Do your share to make your school and community better.
- Cooperate.
- Stay informed; vote.
- Be a good neighbor.
- Obey laws and rules.
- Respect authority.
- Protect the environment.

Educational Display

- ▶ Must not exceed 11" high x 12" deep x 14" wide (science display boards are too large!!)
- ▶ Must stand alone
- ▶ Must include three dimensional items
- ▶ Please avoid sharp objects, live ammunition and batteries





Science-board style and cut to size.

Cardboard box cut and taped to size



Working Models

- ▶ Must not require floor space larger than 14" x 22"
- ▶ Should show how something actually works (cutaway sections of motors or computers)
- ▶ Considered hands-on exhibits so fairgoers can touch



Fairgoers can pivot each pillar to learn the specific traits of that pillar



Demonstrations

- ▶ General
 - ▶ Working
 - ▶ Electric Theater
 - ▶ Specialty
- ★ In all cases, a 4-H'er can present only one demonstration/year at the State Fair.



General

8 demonstrations/county

- ▶ 4-H'er shows and tells others how to do something
- ▶ Demonstrate for 5 - 10 minutes
- ▶ Usually more formal than working demonstrations
- ▶ Can be team demonstration with no more than 3 demonstrators



Working

4 demonstrations/county

- ▶ 4-H'er works continuously on an item or shows a particular skill
- ▶ Demonstrate for 30 minutes
- ▶ A formal presentation is not given
- ▶ Respond to questions of fairgoers



Electric Theater

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- ▶ 4-H'ers present general-type demonstrations
- ▶ Electricity must be used in the demonstration



Specialty

- ▶ 4-H'ers selected at the county level may participate in one of 5 specialty contests sponsored by Missouri's commodity groups or State Department



- **Egg** – 4 demonstrations/county – must fall in appropriate age brackets. This is a qualifier for national competition
- **Pork** – 6 demonstrations/county – must fall in appropriate age brackets
- **International Topics** – 2 demonstrations/county – must fall in appropriate age brackets
- **Agri–Missouri Foods** – 3 demonstrations/county – must fall in appropriate age brackets
- **Soyfoods** – 6 demonstrations/county – must fall in appropriate age brackets

Guidelines for specialty demonstrations vary. Visit the <http://4h.missouri.edu/go/events/statefair/>



How Many ??

A county can send up to
41 demonstrations!

